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To whom it may concern

The deal that has been brokered FOR Microsoft expands its monopoly now into the schools. This does not put competition back into the marketplace but does add more money to the already over flowing coffers of Microsoft.

I agree with the deal being proposed where Microsoft should have to open it's source code to companies it has hindered. It should be force to develope their windows products to run on ALL platforms. It should be forced not repay the consumers for gouging with the outrageous prices it had demanded for it software. It should be forced to provide a stripped down version for XP. It should be band from supplying IE for 3 years from all XP desktops.

Put competition back into the OS market and allow people think for themselfe and make decisions to buy what they want not what Microsoft think everyone wants. The general public doesn't even know what alternatives are available because there is NO COMPITION with Microsoft.

Presently you can purchase a PC on the open market with anything but XP loaded on it. I want to see Linux systems available to an open market. I don't want to have to purchase a PC to format the drive and re-install Linus on it. I am being force fed a product I neither want nor that I like.

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